OLD SAWS IN RHYME.

workman is known by the state of his tools; Wise men live ip houses erected by fools. Half the world &Desn't know how the other half

Who cuts doe:n't shuffle; there's honor 'mong

Who stays in the mill grinds-not who comes

An inch may be much-at the end of your nose. Two can play at that game; getting down to As gay as a butterfly; under the bed.

As dark as a pocket: as blind as a bot: Taking coals to New astle; knocked in a cocked hat.

A friend in the market beats money in the chest: Begin on the best and you'll always have best. Praise to the face is but open disgrace;

'Tis hurrying often that loses the race. Love flies out the window when poverty knocks At the door; put yourself in his place; in a box.

Each one for lumself and the devil for all:

Those who are not high up have not far to fall. A pint is a pound all the whole world around: A man born for hanging will never be drowned.

It taketh a smart man to be a great fool;

Don't gnaw at a file: easy fool's a knave's tool. As plenty as fingers and toes: true as steel;

Faith has a quiet heart; slippery as an eel. The more one possesses the more he'll desire; Smart Aleck; he won't set the river afire.

A dog that will fetch bones will carry them, too; Good manners insure success; rich as a Jew. What won't make a pot may a pot-lid produce:

Driving pigs to poor market; don't strain at a

Off his base: money talks: he has got a screw

And swallow a camel; a brick in his hat. A fool rides a free horse to death; toe the mark: Soft side of a plank; in the dumps; on a lark. Blossoms before the fruit comes; black as ink;

As proud as a peacock; as quick as a wink. If folly were pain there'd be groans in each A cat that wears gloves never catches a mouse.

Nursing trouble don't mend it; speak not than The still pig's the one that gets most of the

-H. C. Dodge, in Detroit Free Press.

AN INDEPENDENT PAIR.

They Were Too Spirited to Marry to Please Others.

"Philip," said old John Briggs to his son, "you are twenty-eight years old to-day."

"So the family record says, father," responded the elegant young gentleman addressed. "I am disposed to place implicit reliance upon it and on you."

"You have done nothing since you left college but kill time."

"It is only retaliation in advance, sir. Some day or other the old chap with the scalp-lock and scythe will kill

"You are too flippant. Since your Aunt Priscilla left you five thousand a year you have done nothing but spend the money. Your income ought to be enough for a single man, but you draw on me, too."

"I'll try to draw on you less, sir." "It is not that, Philip. You are quite welcome to a check now and then, for I know that you neither game nor revel, and I don't mind your horses, your club, your natural history craze, nor your luxurious tastes. But still you spend more money and get less for it than most young men of your age-have too much, in fact."

"I don't find it too much, sir. In fact, I was thinking what a graceful thing it would be if you would double it-a mere trifle to a gentleman of your means. I have to use the most pitiful economy, I assure you."

"Oh, that's it, eh? Well, there is a mode to increase it very much. You have heard me speak of Philander Spriggs, of New York?"

"Money-lender and skinflint? I have heard of him."

"Nonsense, Philip. He is a quite worthy as well as very wealthy man; and if he prefers to invest ready money in short loans, what of that? I lend my money, or some of it sometimes."

"But not at cent per cent." . "No matter. I don't propose that you shall borrow of him. He has an only child, a daughter, who will inherit all his vast property, just as you will mine."

"Does she shave notes, father?" "Phil, be kind enough not to indulge in chaff. I have seen her and talked with her. She is young, handsome well educated; and has good taste -a society gentlewoman with domestic

tastes." "Well, father, you are not so old, and since you admire her so much, I

see no reason why ---." "Stop your nonsense and listen. Spriggs and I had a talk over it when I was in New York, and we have concluded, if you two come together, to chip in equally and settle a half million on you on your wedding day. With what you have you'll do well

enough for awhile." "But," demurred Philip. "I don't like Spriggs for a father-in-law."

"Stuff! you don't marry Spriggs." "And the name! Think of it! Spr-r-iggs!"

"What of that? With marriage the name is changed. I don't think she'll gain much by it. Spriggs-Briggs! Six of one and half a dozen of the

other." "I'd like to oblige you, father. I suppose I must marry some day; but of good family."

till you see her? Good family! Of course you're outitled to that. The peerage of England is full of Viscount Briggses. The Briggses are found in the Almanac von Gotha among the erlaucht families. Your grandfather made \$300,000 in hides and tallow, and if he had not invested it in real estate that multiplied itself more than tenfold before he died, I should have been in the same business to-day, and you in the counting-room or warehouse. Family, indeed! You're a foolish boy, Philip, and your aunt's legacy has ruined you.'

"I wish, sir, there were a half-dozen more old aunts to continue my ruin in the same way. It is of no use getting angry, father. You can't keep it up. I'll take to any thing you saylaw, physic, or divinity; sell my horses, drop my club, read by the cubic foot, but to marry-excuse me."

"See here, Phil," exclaimed the father, who by this time was at white heat, "you never knew me to break | tion. my word. I merely ask you to marry for your own good. I point out a wife in every way suitable to you. Marry to please me, and I will not only start you fairly in life now, but leave you all I have when I am gone. Marry to suit some foolish fancy of your own and I'll-yes, I'll found an asylum for idiots. Now you understand me." And Briggs marched off, leaving his son to his meditations.

"If I stay here," said Philip to him self, "father and I will quarrel. Better give the dear old gentleman a chance to cool off. I'll ruralize a little."

That afternoon Philip packed a portmanteau, and with a fishing-rod and mineral hammer started off to Montgomery County, where an old college mate of his had married and settled, one whom he had long promised to visit. When he arrived there he learned that Boudinot and his wife had gone to Long Branch for the season, and their servants with them, the house being in charge of a care-taker. Philip heard of good fishing in a stream four miles off, and concluded to try it. He found lodgings at a farm-house near the place, owned by a man named Seth Cooper.

His quarters were quite comfortable. The house was an old stone building of ante-revolutionary erection, and was roomy. He was assigned a chamber upstairs, looking out on a trimly kept carden, in which old-fashioned and pot herbs were grown side

by side, and which sent a pleasant fragrance through the open window. The room itself was adorned with pictures and knick-knacks showing feminine taste, and the bedstead was furnished with a hair mattress, and not the bag of feathers of the vicinage.

"Decidedly," said Philip to himself, "there is another female on the premises, than the substantial Dame

Cooper, and with some refined taste." But neither that day nor that week did he see any woman other than Mrs. Cooper or the hired girl. However, the cooking was good, the country air and his walks round about gave him an appetite and he was content. He fished the stream closely, he rambled here and there, hammer in hand and bag at side, leaned on fences and talked with farmers about "craps" and the weather.

In a week's time the thing grew monotonous. The fish were not always inclined to bite, good specimens in quarries and in situ grew scarcer and his stock of talk on farming was nearly exhausted. He began to think of going to the Branch and hunting up Boudinot. As he sat upon the veranda one afternoon debating the matter, a wagon was driven up the lane and stopped at the door. Lightly out stepped a young woman in a neat traveling dress, and the driver followed her with a large trunk, under which he staggered, burly as he was. Mrs. Cooper came from the kitchen and exclaimed, "Why, it's Gwenny, I de-

clare!" "You dear old Aunty Ruth!" said the newcomer, hugging and kissing the farmer's wife. "I came to have a

good time for a month." "And so you shall, my dear," was

the hearty reply. Philip took an ocular inventory of the looks, dress and manner of the newcomer as he took off his hat. "A sweet face and graceful figure and presentable anywhere," was his internal comment. "Here's luck. I shall not visit the Branch vet."

"You have a boarder, aunty," said the girl, when up stairs with Mrs. Cooper.

"Yes. He's a Mr. Bee," said the other. "It don't look as if he had any call to work for his living, judging by his white hands and his fix-ups, and he's plenty of money."

"Bee? Then he isn't a busy bee. But he's good looking; if he be agree-

able he'll do for a walking-stick." Mrs. Cooper's mistake as to Philip was natural enough. When she had asked his name on his coming he had said, in his airy way, "Philip B., at your service," and she had taken the sound of the initial for his surname. After she had called him Mr. Bee several times Philip saw the blunder.

the same one I love: and then. smiled at it, and, as the naval officers Philadelphia like, insist on a woman say, "made it so;" and when Gwenny came to the table she was introduced. "Some one you love! How the "Miss Gwenny, Mr. Bee." As she deuce do you know you'll not love her was the niece, he concluded her name to be Cooper, but as the farmer addressed her as Miss Gwenny, and the farmer's wife as Gwenny, Philip chose

the more respectful of the two. As Philip was a gallant young gentleman, and as the young lady was charming in manner, he naturally paid her much attention. When a young man and a young woman are thrown together under such circumstances it is not unusual for a flirtation to follow. It is generally a foregone conclusion.

Philip soon learned that "Gwenny" was diminutive of Gwenllian, and not of the more stilted Gwendoline, which interested him. Philip's mother had been a Powel, with Welsh blood in her veins, and bore the same name. This later Gwenllian was a mystery to him. For the niece of a rather coarse farmer -for Cooper, though a worthy man, was the reverse of refined-she displayed unquestionably gentle manners. Then she showed a fair knowledge of any subject touched upon in conversa-

What was she-a teacher? She had not the look nor the way of a schoolma'am. A governess? Possibly. If so, in a good family. But her belongings were not of the second-hand kind. Philip had a keen eye for female apparel. Her lace was of the rarest; her gloves were perfect and of the newest; her dresses were pretty and well-fitting, though quite in tone; and though she displayed little in the way of jewelry, the stone that sparkled on | gine or remain with it in cases of acthe head of a lace pin was unmistak- cident is often debated by railroad ably a diamond. She had been well men. I believe that the majority of cultured and every word and action engineers think it best to jump. As

On the other hand, Philip was as much a mystery to the young girl. blame of accidents rests sometimes He was a gentleman beyond doubt. with the engineer, again with the con-But what was he doing there, a man | ductor or brakeman, occasionally with of culture, refinement and æsthetic the dispatchers, and often with the tastes, in that farm house? He had company through its other employes. said nothing of the Boudinots, which | Yet the blame of a majority of acciwould have explained it. With a little dents can not be ascribed to the negliaffectation of cynicism, which did not gence of any one. A defective rail, a ill become him, the man was as misunderstanding, an unsafe bridge, clear as water, frank as air. But why did he loiter there with no apparent purpose? The girl did not first deem that she was the attraction, but it came to her after five weeks, and she grew shy, and her shyness for the last week of her stay infected Philip, who became shy too, and lost all ease. At length she announced to Mrs. Cooper that she had to return home, and that her father, who was in Philadelphia visiting friends there, would come for her on the following day, and his friend with him. Philip heard this with a depression that told him he had met his fate and that it lay in the power of this girl to make him happy

or miserable for life. All the night that followed, Philip lay and tossed restlessly. He could not sleep. He felt that his father would be as good as his word, but he would win a wife then or never. Near morning he arose, dressed, and sat at the window until the sun showed itself. Then he slipped out of the house and strolled toward a glen a few yards off, intending to remain out until he heard the breakfast bell. It had been a favorite haunt of the two, and yet for the last few days both had avoided it. He made his way to a mossy rock which formed a sort of rustic seat, and there he saw-Gwenny.

"Miss Gwenllian!" he exclaimed. She rose with a rather embarrassed air. "I rested badly last night, Mr Bee, and I came out at daybreak. have been here ever since. The morning air seems to refresh me."

"I have the same experience," he said, "I have rested badly, or rather have not rested at a'l. 1-"

She looked up inquiringly, and a something she read in his eyes dropped her own, while a flush over spread his face and neck.

"Gwenny!" he said, desperately, and took her hand. The fingers trembled in his, but were not withdrawn "Gwenny, darling," he said, "are we to part to-day? Do you know that I love you dearly?"

"Do you-Philip?" she murmured but she did not look up.

"Gwenny," he said, "I have been sailing under false colors, but innocently enough. I have a way among my gentlemen friends of using my initials, and so I am called among them P. B., or Mr. B. When your aunt asked me my name, I said 'Mr. B.' and I did not care to undeceive her; but I desire no concealment from you, unless you do not care for me. Then we will part as we met; but I shall be a changed man."

He waited for a reply. There was a slight tightening of her fingers on his as she half whispered:

"You must know that I care for you, Philip." "Now, darling," said the exultant Philip, "you must let me speak to

your father to-day." "I fear you may find him rather obstinate." she said. "He sets an undue

store by his daughter." "I can satisfy him of my position in society and that I am able to maintain you. I have means of my own, and have-well I may say I had, great expectations; but my father, who is several times a millionaire, has taken into his head to fit me with a wife. I prefer to choose for myself. If you

will be content to share what I have, Philip Briggs does not cares for

"Briggs-Philip!" cried Gwenny, releasing himself from his grasp and looking at him wonderingly. "Is your father's name John?"

"Yes." "And he lived in Philadelphia?"

Gwenny burst into a peal of silvery

"Do not feel vexed, Philip," she said at length. "I am only laughing at the similarity of our positions. My father chose a husband for me in the same way, and it was to escape discussion of the matter that I took these few weeks' rustication. Mrs. Cooper is my old nurse, and I have called her 'aunty' from the time I could toddle around. She was married from our house. He husband had very little money, and father bought them this farm and stocked it. But; oh! think, Philip, dear, how your father and mine will chuckle! You are Philip Briggs, and I-I am Gwenllian Spriggs!"-Boston Advertiser.

Talk With a Locomotive Engineer.

Many persons imagine that the life of an engineer is a most hazardous one, but there is very little more danger attached to it than to other callings. There is one thing that gives him an advantage over the other trainmen and the passengers in case of danger. Being at the head of the train, he can see the danger in time to jump from his engine. The question whether it is better to leave the enshowed a purity that fitted her name. In other vocations, however, care will prevent many serious mishaps. The often hurls a train into destruction, and there is no one to answer for the blame. However, with the many accidents, seemingly, incident to railroading, the percentage of death is less than in most other industries .-St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

BANCROFT, THE HISTORIAM. Thoughts Suggested by His Reported Re-

tirement From Active Labor. The announcement that failing mental faculties have at last compelled Mr. George Bancroft definitely to abandon his literary labors is not altogether unexpected, and yet the great historian's fellow citizens will find it a difficult task to accustom themselves to the thought that his days of activity are over. It is no exaggeration to put Mr. Bancroft down as one of the most remarkable men whom the New World has produced. His career will be remembered not more for its length and the high quality of its achievements than for its versatility. His history of the United States is the work with which his name will always be indissolubly connected, and it is a labor which, if it stood alone, would shed luster on a lifetime. But Mr. Bancroft was more than a historian. For many years he had no small part in the making of the history of his country. His management of the Navy Department, though brief, was brilliant, for during that time he earned the distinction of founder of the Naval Academy. Subsequently, as American representative at the courts of England and Germany, he fulfilled almost the ideal of an American diplomatist, and his skillful hand achieved some of the most notable successes in our diplomatic annals. His old age has been a serene and useful one. Fortunately for his country, he has been enabled to continue his historical labors with unflagging zeal and accuracy long after the time when years dim the vision and cloud the judgment of most mortals. And if at last the hour has come when he must lay aside his pen permanently, his fellow-citizens have good cause for the profoundest satisfaction in his achievements and gratitude that he has been enabled to give his native land a full half-century of loyal and honorable service. -Boston Journal.

The Secret of His Influence.

The Boston clergyman, Rev. E. M. P. Wells, who will be remembered by many of our citizens, was early in life a schoolmaster. He told me that he regarded among the most important of his duties that of playing with his boys at their hours of recreation, and so he always insisted in joining in their games of ball and marbles and other pastimes in some capacity that should, as it were, bring them to a common social level at least once in the twenty-four hours; that thus he had an opportunity to know and love them free from the restraints of official position, and that they were drawn nearer together in heart for their Dr. Joseph Patt. work. "Yes," he said, as his mind reverted to those days, "had I to choose between the two I think I would have let another man hear their lessons, but I would have insisted on my right to play with them; I could thus have done more good and the lessons would have come out all right."-Boston



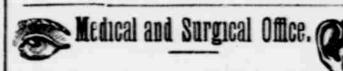
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